

STATE OF ILLINOIS
ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

Petition requesting an Emergency)
Order with Regard to Intrastate Access)
Charges of Incumbent Local Exchange) No. 01-0808
Carriers Serving 35,000 or Fewer)
Access Lines)

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RESPONSE TO STAFF REPORT

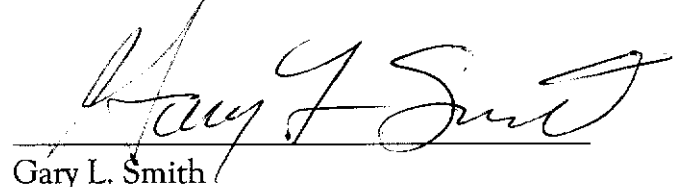
NOW COMES LEAF RIVER TELEPHONE COMPANY, by its attorney, Gary L. Smith,

and pursuant to the Administrative Law Judge's notice, hereby responds to the Staff's Report-MAG Plan as follows:

The Staff's Report is not a pleading recognized by any statute or rule. Several matters raised in the Staff's report go beyond the scope of the relief requested in the petition and must be developed, if at all, through notice and hearings conducted pursuant to the Illinois Administrative Procedure Act 5 ILCS 100/1-1, *et seq.* Further comment at this point is premature because the report simply lists some potential issues to be covered in an investigation and the scope of the investigation is unclear. Therefore, the Staff report must be stricken.

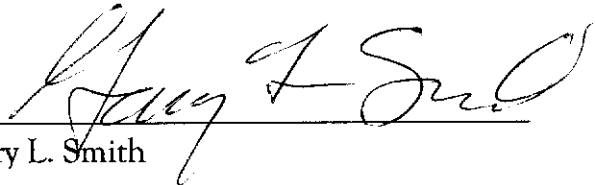
Respectfully submitted,

LEAF RIVER TELEPHONE COMPANY,


Gary L. Smith

PROOF OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing Response to Staff Report were served upon the parties on the attached service list by electronic, fax, and/or U.S. Mail, on 26th March, 2002.



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